CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendment Summary

Claims pending

- Before this Amendment: Claims 24-31.
- After this Amendment: Claims 24-31.

Non-Elected, Canceled, or Withdrawn claims: None.

Amended claims: 24, 25, and 31.

New claims: None.

Claims:

1. - 23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) In a computer system having resources and a resource planner for granting reservations of amounts of resources to activities, a computer-implemented method comprising:

submitting by an activity a request for a reservation of a set of resources in specified amounts to the resource planner;

determining at the resource planner that the request cannot be granted;
returning from the resource planner to the activity a list, the list including
an amount of each currently available resource that satisfied the resource
reservation request and an amount of each currently available resource that did

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not satisfy the resource reservation request, the amounts being specified in

terms of units specific to each resource in the set of resources;

determining at the activity whether the amounts of each currently

available resource that did not satisfy the resource reservation request are

acceptable;

using the returned list at the activity the amounts of each currently

available resource that did not satisfy the resource reservation request to

reformulate the request for a reservation of the set of resources to specify new

requested amounts;

resubmitting the reformulated request to the resource planner; and

executing the activity.

25. (Currently Amended) In a computer system having resources and

a resource planner for granting reservations of amounts of resources to activities

performed on the computer system, a computer-implemented method

comprising:

negotiating between the resource planner and activities to reserve shares

of the resources with the resource planner on behalf of the activities;

in view of changing resource usage or requirements, renegotiating

between the resource planner and the activities to change reservations of

resources on behalf of the activities to reflect the changing resource usage or

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requirements, wherein renegotiating includes returning from the resource planner to the activity a list, the list including an amount of each currently available resource that satisfied the resource reservation request and an amount of each currently available resource that did not satisfy the resource reservation request, the amounts being specified in terms of units specific to each resource in the set of resources and wherein renegotiating further includes determining at the activity whether the amounts of the currently available resources that did not satisfy the resource reservation request are acceptable; and

executing at least one of the activities <u>using between at least some of the</u> amount of one of the currently available resources that did not satisfy the resource reservation request and, voluntarily, no more than the amount of the currently available resources that did not satisfy the resource reservation request.

- **26. (Original)** The method of claim 25 wherein the changing resource usage or requirements are the product of a new activity being performed.
- **27. (Original)** The method of claim 25 wherein the changing resource usage or requirements are the product of an activity changing its resource requirements.

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28. (Original) The method of claim 25 wherein the changing resource

usage or requirements are the product of an activity no longer being performed.

29. (**Original**) The method of claim 25 wherein the changing resource

usage or requirements are the product of a persistent overload of use of a

resource.

30. (**Original**) The method of claim 25 wherein the changing resource

usage requirements are the product of a change in resource allocation policy.

31. (Currently Amended) In a computer system having resources and

a resource planner for granting reservations of amounts of resources to

activities, a computer-implemented method comprising:

submitting a request for a reservation of a set of resources in specified

amounts from an activity to the resource planner;

determining at the resource planner that the request cannot be granted;

returning from the resource planner to the activity a list, the list including

an amount of each resource in a set of resources that is currently available to the

activity, the amount being specified in terms of units specific to each resource in

the set of resources;

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determining at the activity whether the amounts of each resource that are currently available to the activity;

using the returned list at the activity the amounts of each resource that are currently available to the activity to reformulate the request for a reservation

of the set of resources to specify new requested amounts;

resubmitting the reformulated request to the resource planner; and

executing the activity.

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